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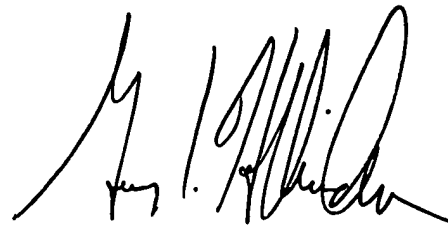
The communication filed on April 7, 1998 is non-responsive to the prior Office action because Applicant has failed to elect a single gas and a single shell material (see the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 of the restriction requirement). See 37 C.F.R. § 1.111. Since the response appears to be *bona fide*, Applicant is given one month or thirty days from the mailing date of this notice, whichever, is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

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Any inquiry concerning this Office Action or any earlier Office Actions in this application should be directed to Dr. Gary E. Hollinden whose telephone number is 703/308-4521. Dr. Hollinden's office hours are from 6:30 am to 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is 703/308-1235.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary E. Hollinden', is positioned above the printed name.

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